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GIVES EAST CHINA POPULATION, CULTIVATED AREA: STABLE PRICES LURING HONG KONG CHINESE TO CANTON

DATA FOR DECEMBER 1949 -- Shanghai Chieh-fang Jih-pao, 23 Jul 50

The following tables give December 1949 data on the population and cultivated area of provinces and cities in East China:

Population

	Total		Nonfarm Population		Farm Population	
Province or City	(1,000 Persons	1,000 Persons	Percent	1,000 Persons Percen		
Shantung Province	41,000	3,000	7.3	38,000	92.7	
Kiangsu Province	32,000	4,000	12.5	28,000	87.5	
Anhwei Province	24,000	1,000	4.2	23,000	95.8	
Chekiang Province	20,000	2,000	10.0	18,000	90.0	
Fukien Province	11,000	1,300	11.8	99700	88.2	
Taiwan Province	6,000	1,900	29.7	4,500	70.3	
Shenghai	5,400	5,150	95.4	250	4.6	
Nanking	1,000	930	93.0	70	7.0	
East China total	140,800	19,280	13.7	121,520 ാ	86.3	

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Cultivated Area

Province or City	Total	Paddy Fi 1,000 Shih Mou	Percent	Regular For 1,00000 Shin Mon 1		Shih Mou per Unit of Farm Population
Shantung Province	106,000	2,000	1.9	104,000	98.1	2.8
Kiangsu Province	63,000	33,000	52.4	30,000	47.6	2.3
Anhwei Province	40,000	24,000	40.0	36,000	60.0	2.6
Chekiang Province	47,000	23,000	48.9	24,000	51.1	3.6
Fukien Province	30,000	12,000	40.0	18,000	60.0	3.1
Taiwan Province	13,000	8,500	65.4	4,500	34.6	2.9
Shanghai	710	280	39.4	430	60.6	2.8
Nanking	180	90	50.0	90	50.0	2.6
East China tota	1 319,890	102,870	32.2	2173920	67.8	2.6

PEOPLE RETURNING TO CHINA PROPER -- New York Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 1 Jun 50

Date

16 May 1950

Total

Hong Kong -- According to data of 16-22 May 1950, the number of travelers returning to the Chinese mainland from Hong Kong has increased and the number going to Hong Kong from the mainland has decreased. The principal reason for the increase in mainland-bound travelers is the universal stabilization of commodity prices and the grarantee of a more secure and safe livelihood. The following table shows population movement between Hong Kong and Canton from 16 to 22 May 1950:

	Canton to Hong Kong	Hong Kong to Canton
	3,762	4,866
•	4,316	5,410
	3,590	5,093
	4,399	4,814
	3,930	4,700
	4,179	4,646

No of Travelers

4,423

33,952

WAR INCREASES CANTON POPULATION -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 30 Jul 50

3,739

27,715

Canton, 29 July -- The number of people returning from Hong Kong to Canton has been increasing daily since the start of the Korean war. According to an unofficial estimate, the population increase of Canton, since the outbreak of war, has already reached the 30,000 mark.

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